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Mikiko SODEOKA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_0061A  
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In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2007, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.